

OPEN WORLD PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Final Schedule: Rule of Law Program for Russian Judges, August 3 - 10, 2002

Mentor for Program: US District Judge David Faber, Southern West Virginia District Court, Bluefield, West Virginia

1. **Prepared by:** Dr. Sudhakar R. Jamkhandi, Center for International Understanding
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2. **The Center for International Understanding at Bluefield State College (CIU @ BSC)** was founded by Dr. Jamkhandi in 1987 to *internationalize Bluefield State College's curriculum* through student study abroad and faculty exchanges, fora on current international affairs, international films, foreign language workshops, international musical performances, and multicultural food buffets.

From 1994 onward, the CIU @ BSC has been *internationalizing the economy of West Virginia and southwest Virginia* by exposing area public and private sector leaders to international professionals sponsored for short-term study tours by USAID and the State Department. Regionally, professional exchanges have taken place and trade ties are being forged. The Library of Congress Open World Russian Leadership program will further the CIU @ BSC's goal of promoting public-private partnerships in Russia.

In collaboration with numerous public and private sector entities southern West Virginia, southwest Virginia, and the Washington DC area, the CIU @ BSC has trained entrepreneurs, NGO leaders, public sector decision-makers, professionals and justices from thirty-seven countries on topics such as accounting reform; agribusiness and agricultural economics; democratic initiatives and institution building and rule of law; business development; corporate governance; education; economic restructuring; energy; environment; forestry and forestry-related industries; rural public health; public and private housing; telecommunications; private voluntary organization development; tourism development, including eco-tourism; print and electronic media; Local governance and federalism.

The CIU @ BSC is privileged to have the support of the enlightened local leadership and that of the State of West Virginia.

3. **Southern West Virginia and southwest Virginia enjoy four distinct seasons:**
Spring (March 21 – June 20): Typical weather – wintry, rainy, occasionally sunny with temperatures ranging from the 15 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit;
Summer (June 21 – August 30): Hot but temperatures rarely above 90 degrees Fahrenheit; sometimes heavy rainfall and flooding;
Autumn (September 1-October 20): Mild temperatures, occasional heavy rains;
Winter (October 21 – March 20): Very cold, occasional heavy snowfall, windy.

4. **Date of arrival in Bluefield, West Virginia:** August 3, 2002

5. **Home stay contact information for each guest for all dates:**

Judge Aleksandr Vasilyevich ALTUNIN's Host Family: Chuck and Jane Lambert

Chuck and Jane own and operate Lamberts Heating & Air Conditioning Company, Inc., in Bluefield. They have two daughters: Amber is 13 and Charlie is 12. They enjoy outdoor activities and learning about other cultures. They regularly host international visitors for the Center for International Understanding at Bluefield State College.

Judge Ibragim Magomedmirzayevich IBRAGIMOV's Host Family: Ed and Nilda Lowe

Ed is a retired college administrator and currently is an instructor for the CIU in educational administration and alliances between educational institutions and businesses; Nilda, a retired public school teacher, teacher Spanish part-time at Concord College in nearby Athens. Their children are grown and live away from home.

Judge Aleksandr Maksimovich SURKOV's Host Family: Gino and Tara "Chea" Russo

The Russos have three boys ranging in age from nine to eighteen. Gino works for a local car dealership; Chea (pronounced "Shay") is a nurse at a local nursing home. Gino was a CIU Instructor for Small Business Development and has been to Armenia and Yoshkar Ola, Mari El, in August 2001.

Host Family for Judges Svetlana Petrovna KOSTENKOVA and Lyudmila Vladimirovna SHEFER, and Mariya Vladimirovna Leonova: Sarah Lynne French, Lee's MHP

Sarah Lynne, who is single, teaches Physical Education and Health at Glenwood Middle School and also assists with the choir and choreography classes. She is an accomplished singer (of easy listening, country, and other popular music) who performs at various civic organizations' functions in the area.

Other Pertinent Program Information

Natasha Poludneva and Natalia Jigalova, the interpreters, will be staying at the Holiday Inn in Bluefield. Please also note the group facilitator's home stay information above.

Medical Emergencies: For daytime medical emergencies in Princeton, please go to Dr. Jun Neri, Prime Care 12, 702 Stafford Drive, Princeton, WV, 24740. For daytime medical emergencies in Bluefield, please go to Dr. Mario Cardona, St. Luke's Professional Building, Bluefield, WV.

For all serious medical emergencies, please go to the emergency room of Bluefield Regional Medical Center in Bluefield or Princeton Community Hospital in Princeton. Please make certain the participant has the medical insurance ID card prior to setting out to either of the two hospitals.

CIU Program Coordinator-Site Visit facilitator: Rodger Woodrum, formerly commercial accounts manager for a regional electric company, will accompany the group to all meetings to ensure that all participants are introduced and trainers are briefed about training to date.

Dr. Jamkhandi will accompany the group to Charleston on Wednesday, August 7.

6. DAILY SCHEDULE FOR THE RUSSIAN JUDGES

Saturday, August 3: 9:40am: Depart on US Airways Flight 31 from Ronald Reagan National Airport for Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (arrival at 10:40am) and from there take US Airways Flight 5962 at 12:25 pm to Bluefield (Mercer County Airport) where you will arrive at 1:30 p.m. CIU staff will transfer the Russian delegation to the Holiday Inn in Bluefield.

2:00 pm. Welcome Dinner at Holiday Inn with US District Judge David and Debbie Faber (if no conflict in his schedule) and host families.

Orientation to the program, transportation logistics, protocol at host family homes, lunches, medical care in case of emergencies, etc. Transfer to host homes following orientation/welcome dinner.

Sunday, August 4

10:00 a.m.: Attend services at St. Mary's Orthodox Church, Bluefield and enjoy fellowship with area residents of Slavic descent

PM: Picnic, fishing, barbecue at the Woodrum farm, Narrows, Virginia

Late PM: Bowling at Mountaineer Family Center as Dr. Jamkhandi's guests

Monday, August 5

9:30 am: 8th Judicial Circuit Court, McDowell County Circuit Court, Corner of Court and Wyoming Streets, Welch

Observe court proceedings and follow up with discussion of types/nature of laws involved and why such cases are handled by this court or, if no court hearings progress, discuss role of this court, types of cases handled, relations with state, city, and county law enforcement

Discussants: Circuit Court Judge Booker T. Stephens; Circuit Court Rudolph J. Murensky, II; Prosecuting Attorney of McDowell County Sid Bell; Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ed Kornish; Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Danny W. Barie; Sally Childers, Clerk of Court

2:00 pm: Southern West Virginia District Court, Federal Building, Bluefield

Observe court proceedings and follow up with discussion of types/nature of laws involved and why this case is handled at this court or, if no court hearings progress, discuss role of this court, types of cases handled, relations with US Marshal's Office

Host/Discussant: US District Judge David Faber (coordinated by Court Clerk Aleta Barie)

Followed by a brief review of the sentences with Judge Faber

Golfing at Fincastle Country Club as guests of John Quintier, Administrator of Westwood Health Care Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Bluefield, Virginia (To be confirmed)

Tuesday, August 6

9:00 am: Daily Telegraph, 928 Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, A regional newspaper that serves southern West Virginia and southwest Virginia, the *Bluefield Daily Telegraph* raises the readership's consciousness about economic, political, and community issues, including judicial and human rights concerns. This newspaper is a major proponent of change, literacy and higher education, two vital elements in promoting the economic well being of any community.

Interactive session on how this newspaper, through such articles as the recent FOIA series, promotes awareness of citizens' rights and the workings of American jurisprudence and the responsibilities of the Public Sector to constituents. The paper's role in promoting civic responsibility and its public service role

as it publishes the "Police Blotter" that lists violations of the law by area residents; frivolous lawsuits and recent coverage of cases/court proceedings

Discussant: Samantha Perry, Managing Editor; and possibly Bill Archer, Reporter

12:00 pm: Lunch at El Mariachi in Princeton

1:00 pm: Mercer County Courthouse, Princeton

Observe court proceedings and follow up with discussion of types/nature of laws involved and why this case is handled at this court or, if no court hearings progress, discuss role of this court, types of cases handled, and relations with Mercer County Sheriff's Office

Hosts/Discussants: Mercer County Circuit Court Judges John Frazier and Derek Swope

4:00 pm: Mercer County Courthouse, Princeton

Interactive session on Mediation and types of cases for which this strategy is effective

Discussant: Retired 9th Circuit Court Judge David Knight

7:00 pm: Wine and cheese reception at the home of Gino and Tara Russo for Russian Judges and their host families.

Wednesday, August

7:00 am: Pick up from homes to depart for Charleston, West Virginia

9:30 am: WV Supreme Court, State Capitol, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East

Session 1: Interactive session about the Role of the WV Supreme Court; types of cases it elects to hear

Tentative Discussants if Summer Schedule Permits: Chief Justice Robin Davis, Justices Warren McGraw, Joseph Albright, Elliott Maynard, Larry Starcher (coordinated by Michelle Mensore)

Session 2: Interactive session on Funding of the Court, Court Administration and In Service Training for Judges

Discussants: Barbara Allen, Administrator; Kathleen Gross, Deputy Director of Judicial Education

10:45 am: West Virginia Senate Chambers, State Capitol

Interactive session on the West Virginia Senate and the Role of the Senate Judiciary Committee

Coordinated by Darrell Holmes, Clerk of the WV Senate with Michael Crane, Member of the Senate Judiciary Committee

11:15 am: Office of the West Virginia Attorney General, State Capitol

Interactive session on the role of the Office of the State Attorney General

Discussant: West Virginia Attorney General Darrell McGraw

12:00 pm: Lunch at Sitar of India, Lee Street

2:00 pm: Robert C Byrd US Courthouse, 300 Virginia Street East, Charleston

Interactive panel session on roles of District Court, US Attorney Office, FBI, and US Marshal's Office and how they compare with similar judicial/law enforcement entities in Russia

Panelists: US District Chief Judge Charles H. Hayden II and US District Judge John Copenhaver; US Attorney Karl K. Warner, III; US Marshal Jim Dawson and/or Ed Mitman; FBI Supervisor Joseph Chiccarelli; Mary Lou Newberger, Federal Public Defender's Office; Federal Magistrate Mary Stanley

(coordinated by Tracy Neophytou; June Cowan and Kelley Daniels.)

4:30 – 6:00 pm: Reception in the 5th Floor Rotunda of Federal District Court for participating organizations/presenters in Charleston

6:15 pm: Depart for Bluefield

Thursday, August 8

9:30 am: Appalachian School of Law

Interactive session about this law school's offerings; its emphasis on arbitration/mediation

Host: Lu Ellsworth, President and selected administrators/faculty

2:00 pm: ChildLaw Services, Inc.,

Interactive session on Mercer County's newly established Teen Court, one of four such teen courts in West Virginia (and 878 nationwide) established to address minor traffic violations, misdemeanors such as public intoxication, shoplifting, criminal damage to property under \$300, vandalism, disorderly conduct, minors in possession of alcohol or simple possession of marijuana, simple assaults, and others as identified. Teen Court sentences are designed to fit the offense and involve restitution, community service, and prevention education. A typical sentence could be any of the following: Teen Court Basic Training, Apology (written, oral, or both), Community Services, Research Paper, Prevention or Education Program, Restitution, and others. Within the teen court process, the clerks, bailiffs, prosecuting and defense attorneys, and jurors, are all Mercer County high school volunteers with special guidance and instruction from local attorneys. Defendant participation is voluntary and requires an advance guilty plea. The program is available to juvenile misdemeanor offenders whose ages range from ten to 18 years old. Parent or guardian consent is required, and he/she must also agree to serve as a juror in the future.

Discussant: Jerri Moses, Teen Court Coordinator

3:45 pm: Law firm of Shott, Gurganus, and Williamson

Interactive session about the types of law practiced by the partners in this firm; role of legal assistants and other office staff

Discussants: John Shott, Alvin E. Gurganus, Janet Williamson, Attorneys at Law

Friday, August 9

10:00am: Federal Correctional Institution Beckley

Site visit to correctional facility to see how inmates are processed for incarceration, their living conditions, the security system, etc. and how they compare to those in Russia.

Hosts/Discussants: Coordinated by Warden Troy Williamson

1:30 pm: Southern West Virginia District Court, Federal Building, Bluefield

Review session with Judge David Faber to discuss topics of meetings/site visits during program and their transferability to the reality of the Russian context.

7:00 pm: Farewell Ceremonies and Dinner at Key Ingredients, 3029 Cumberland, Bluefield attended by Russian Judges, facilitator, interpreters, Judge David and Deborah Faber, trainers, and CIU @ BSC Project Related Staff.

Saturday, August 10: DEPARTURE

8:00 am: Pick up from homes and transfer to Mercer County Airport

9:40 am: Depart on US Airways Flight 5960 to Pittsburgh (arrival at 10:45 am) and take US Airways Flight 3531 at 12:15 pm to Dulles International Airport in Washington DC (arrival 1:25 pm). Please refer to your flight itinerary for information about the international flight to Moscow.